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HONG KONG SQUATTER PROBLEM

Various aspects of Hong Kong's squatter and unemployment problems were discussed at a large meeting of representatives of commercial and labour organisations at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, called by the three Chinese members of the Legislative Council, yesterday.

At the end of two hours' discussion it was resolved that repatriation of squatters and others without employment or support was a necessity; and the Tung Wah Hospital, the Chung Sin Benevolent Association and the various District Associations should have the responsibility of arranging for this.

Presiding at the meeting were the three Chinese members of Council—Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. M. K. Lo and Dr. S. N. Chau. They explained that the meeting had been called at the request of Government who was showing growing concern over the large number of squatters and unemployed in their midst living on street pavements and partly demolished houses.

It was roughly estimated that there were about 20,000 of these people and because of the squalid conditions under which they lived a grave menace was created to public health. It was a community problem and the Chinese community was asked now to help in seeking a solution.

Government felt that if these people were unable to find work in the Colony, it was better for themselves as well as for the community that they should return to their native villages and Government was prepared to allocate a sum of money for the assistance of repatriates.

Discussion

In the ensuing discussion various views were expressed, mostly on the line that for repatriation to be successful economic conditions in China must be better than those in Hong Kong. Most people coming here looking for work were fleeing from starvation in their own districts and thought they might be prevailed upon to go now, they would assuredly return to the Colony once more and very soon too.

There were also views expressed, in opposition to any scheme of repatriation and alternatives such as Government building cheap buildings or huts in the New Territories to accommodate the homeless and jobless were suggested.

It was explained from the chair that any scheme of providing cheap buildings and huts for such a huge number as 20,000 people was no easy matter, especially in these times of material shortage. Time would be required. Meanwhile, steps must be taken to relieve the present situation.

The resolution was then put to the meeting that steps should be taken by the Chinese organisations themselves to urge their less fortunate compatriots to return to their native villages. On a show of hands it was passed, many present abstaining from voting.

Smoking Cause Of Cancer?

Buffalo, N.Y., Nov. 4. Because about six times as many men as women get cancer of the lungs, the possibility that cancer can come from smoking has been suggested by Dr. William Rienhoff, Jr., associate professor of surgery, of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

Now that women are smoking, said Dr. Rienhoff, it will be interesting to see if this ratio lung cancer cases is narrowed.

Also discussing cancer, Dr. Owen Wangensteen, of the University of Minnesota, said one woman in five past the age of 40 is destined to die of cancer, "as is one man in six past the age of 60." Cancer of the stomach is the most frequent type, he said.—Associated Press.

CHINESE REPATRIATES' "SIT-DOWN" PROTEST

Spectacular Parade Fizzles Out When Darkness Falls Decide To Return To Billets

Arculli Sentence Reduced

(By Margaret Bradbury)

Seventeen hundred disappointed Chinese mining repatriates from Java who staged a spectacular six-hour sit-down strike yesterday afternoon in full view of the Netherlands Consul's office returned to their billets at Aberdeen camp and the To Yuen hostel late last night, after failing in their efforts to make the Netherlands authorities here agree to their demands.

At the Murray Parade Ground under the supervision of police officials, Commandos and a number of Jaipur Guards, they were loaded into 20 military lorries, although half an hour earlier they had decided unanimously to spend the night in the open there without either sleeping equipment or food rather than give way from their earlier decision.

The repatriates received their last meal on Sunday evening, but until 7.30 p.m. yesterday they were still determined not to leave the Colony until they received a lump sum payment of \$1.42 a day for three years and eight months from the Dutch mining firms which contracted them to work in Java just before the Japanese occupation. The decision at the Murray Parade Ground was taken among the repatriates and won by 90 percent vote.

Nearly six weeks ago they were brought here by a Dutch shipping line en route for their homes and allowed to stay momentarily in the Aberdeen camp and To Yuen hostel. But when arrangements had been completed for the continuation of their journey they refused to go until their claims had been agreed.

They were fed by the Netherlands authorities until a week ago when the Hong Kong Government received notification from the Netherlands Consul.

"In view of this, and also of the evidence of Mr. Henry Ching, editor of the 'Morning Post,' the Court has decided that your cause should run from the date of your arrest by the British authorities—that is Oct. 19, 1945."

Arculli replied: "Thank you, my Lord."

Mr. Rabah and Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, were also present.

Support Poppy Day

An appeal to Hong Kong to beat all previous records in the sale of Poppies on Armistice Day was made in a broadcast over ZBW last night by the Postmaster-General, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones.

Mr. Wynne-Jones said: "I suppose the principal reason why I have been asked to make this appeal on behalf of the British Legion tonight, is that the Colony will be mostly Chinese, and selections will be made on Wednesday next. Prices of admission are \$2.40 for the covered stands and \$1.20 for open stands. Servicemen in uniform will be admitted at half price in the covered stands.

This Organisation of Veterans of all Services exists for the express purpose of helping each other and more especially those who, through the misfortunes of war, have suffered now, body or estate. At this time of the year, when we approach Remembrance Day, the Legion takes up its task again, and will devote its attention to sponsoring Earl Haig's Fund for disabled ex-Servicemen of both the Kaiser and Hitler Wars.

On Saturday morning next, Nov. 9, the famous Flanders Poppies will be on sale throughout the Colony, until noon, and we hope to beat all previous records. We shall need to be reminded us of the debt that we owe to those who, by their sacrifices, made possible "Peace" and our hopes for the future, of which we have just been reminded during UNO week. Let us give them all that we can spare. In settlement of that tremendous debt, donations to Earl Haig's Fund may be forwarded to Mr. Stanley Vaughan, Percy Smith & Company, Windsor House.

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Calcutta, Nov. 4.

Takashi Hirose, of Hawaii and Ohio State University, won the 100-metre freestyle swim in advance. On Monday afternoon there will be a special soccer match on the Hong Kong football field at Happy Valley.

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Readers' Letters

Childish

Sir.—I was reading an article in your paper on 1st November concerning the Hawker Incident in which Canton seems to take a very childish view of the whole situation.

Little do they realize the precarious position our nation is in, to bother with such trifling matters as the British authorities have already shown more than enough concern.

ALSO FROM CANTON.

Fires

Sir.—Since September last two terrible big fires have broken out in the Motor Cars Depots in Hong Kong, one in the Motor Cars Repairing Station near the Peak Tramway Station in Garden Road and the other in Wan Chai Bus Station in Hennessy Road, a couple of days ago.

Fortunately these two depots were not closely attached to the residential premises, otherwise it would become a disaster.

If the fire broke out in the Lockhart Road Motor Cars Depots or Motor Cars Repairing Shops, many people would be involved in sufferings, as these depots are in the ground floors of some houses with a lot of cars or trucks lying at the doorways in waiting for repairs while the upper floors are being occupied by other's families.

During this hard time, the living places and clothings are the second lives of people and the people therefore always pray for getting out of any calamities, which may visit them, in order not to be thrown into the deep and dark hell.

For the sake of safety I hope that Motor Cars Depots should be ordered to remove to the detached premises without delay.

PUBLIC.

British Films

Sir.—It seems incredible that an Englishman should be writing to an English paper in an English Colony begging a cinema exhibitor to return an English film to his screen. It is always so refreshing to see the quiet announcement "Eagle-Lion presents" in the midst of the glaring exclamatory absurdities slashed across the newspaper columns. I refer of course to one of the few out-of-the-rut films that find their way to Hong Kong, only to be booted out even before word could have gone round that here was such a film. "Dead of Night" booted out after two days! For what?—for the usual technicoloured Hollywood hokum.

It is a very sad business.

Some time ago the American distributors announced through your columns that they each had 20 "top" features of 1942—45 to show before they came up to date. This backlog, they said, would be exhausted by the end of the year. One can only hope and pray that Miss Montez will be showing signs of equal exhaustion by that time.

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"Dead of Night" must return! It's difficult to think of a suitable penance but I suppose OBSESSED would be as good as any.

OBSESSED.

Sir.—I have seen many controversies pass through the "Readers' Letters" section of your newspaper but never have I experienced such compulsion to reply to a letter as when I read the one from the American movie addict.

Before being stationed in Hong Kong I was never a very consistent filmgoer but since being here lack of other entertainment has forced me to spend considerable time at the cinemas. Through this I have arrived at several conclusions the main one being that the complete supremacy of British films over anything American.

The American films I have seen in Hong Kong can be divided into three types:—(1) Leg shows. These are usually in Technicolor and consist of a bovy of stereotyped females showing as much flesh as the Hayes office will allow. Their graceless dancing is in keeping with the inevitable gaudiness of the swing band which aids their antics. The accent, as in most American films, is on sex. The caption will usually read something like this: "Never before have you seen so many women with so little on etc."

(2) Flagwavers. These need little description. The latest heart-throb x-rays soulfully into the camera, there is sweat (slavering) glistening on his forehead, blood drops from his bosom, his hair is attractively dishevelled and he says, "This is it!"

Pompey

Sir.—With reference to your article headed Pompey Mayor, which continues to tell us of the Mayor and his efforts to improve the condition of Southampton, I would like to add that the name of Pompey is well known throughout the Commonwealth. Pompey Capt. in the Cup Final was Jimmy Gouthrie.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE MEETING

Gangsters Get 11 Years Hard

Found guilty of armed robbery and possession of arms and ammunition, Lau Wing and Cheng Ki were sentenced to 11 years' hard labour and 11 strokes the cane each by Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Yes, our American-admiring I'll take the "films," I'll take the "films," I'll take the "films."

SCRIBES.

Arculli Trial

Sir.—The proceedings leading to the conviction of F. M. Arculli, show certain developments in adjudications of this sort. Were not for the convincing presentation by Mr. A. Lonsdale of the Crown case, with such irrefutable evidence as given by Dr. Y. H. Teeng, the learned and eloquent Mr. A. P. Rajah, sent by the Government of India on behalf of the defendant, might have got the jury to acquit the accused.

Soldom in the history of Hong Kong's judicial administration will four jurists be the second lives of people and the people therefore always pray for getting out of any calamities, which may visit them, in order not to be thrown into the deep and dark hell.

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According to Mr. J. Reynold, Crown Counsel, the three accused robbed Wong Kim-chi and his wife of \$90, a cigarette case and a wrist watch when the couple were about to enter their house at No. 12, Taipo Road, after alighting from a tricycle. All the accused were armed with revolvers.

Wong immediately notified the police by telephone of the robbery and as a result detectives arrested the accused riding in a tricycle.

Hawkers Fined

A friendly wave of the hand from several Europeans on board the ship and the prospect of putting through a sale or two tempted a hawk, his assistant, and two student friends, to leave their sampan and board HMS "Rock Forest" on November 3. It proved to be a costly venture, for before Comdr. Ryder in the Marine Court yesterday all four were charged with unlawful boarding and each was fined \$10 or 7 days.

A similar venture on the part of five men who boarded RFA "Berchel" on November 2, had the same result. One of them said he was delivering a pair of boots to a naval rating on board; one was his assistant. The others said they did not know the regulations.

"Meantime, I suggest that one and all of us should do our utmost to interest our friends and neighbours in the Association and Brigade so that it may be in position to offer once more its valued services to the community.

"May I take the opportunity of thanking you very warmly for your valuable cooperation in volunteering to assist in the anti-smallpox campaign at no little inconvenience and expense to yourselves?

"May I, also, appeal to the members of the Nursing Division to volunteer for work in the hospitals or join the salaried staff as there is a very serious shortage of nurses and I know that you would not wish to let sick persons in hospital suffer if you could help either as a volunteer or as a paid nurse or dresser.

"Lastly, I hope to see the Brigade in full swing and I know that your President and Lady Young will be very glad indeed to hear that you are keen and hard at work once more to rebuild the fine reputation that this organization won for itself in prewar days."

Money Market

There was a further improvement in Chinese National Currency after the week-end yesterday and after opening at 97½ cents for futures and \$1.16 for spot (for CN\$1,000) rates closed at 97½ cents and \$1.16½ respectively.

Gold continued to be hectic. Opening at \$312 a tael it dropped to \$303, rose to \$308, and closed at \$300. U.S. dollars weakened to \$4.38. Sterling had buyers at \$1.60 and Australian pounds appreciated to \$1.26.

Shanghai, Nov. 4.

Closing quotations were:

Buying Selling

CN\$ CN\$

Gold per ounce 237,000 238,000

U.S. Dollars 4,100 4,200

Hong Kong Dollar 876 885

Associated Press.

REMEMBRANCE DAY FUND

The following additional donations have been received:

Previously acknowledged \$14,645

The Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. 500

Mr. E. P. Streetfield 50

Showan, Tomes & Co., Ltd. 150

Mr. H. Dreyer 50

H. W. Lee & Co. Ltd. 100

Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy 100

Mr. & Mrs. Gordon 100

Campbell 50

Mr. P. B. Pedersen 50

Mr. A. Mabb 25

Mr. R. Wild 100

Mr. Tang Shih Kin 25

Mrs. J. Bell 10

Total \$15,856

An appeal for patience in connection with payments due to members of the Brigade and Nursing Division, and a prediction that members of the Brigade would be eligible for war medals, was made by the Hon. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, Vice-President of St. John Ambulance Brigade, at a meeting of the Brigade held at Tai Hang headquarters on Sunday.

Mr. E. M. Raymond, Commissioner, in a speech mentioned the names of members who had been recommended for outstanding work and bravery during hostilities.

Mr. Raymond was in the chair, supported by Mr. A. el Arculli, Assistant Commissioner, Mr. Chak Tai Kwong, District Officer, and Mr. E. Holmes Brown, Corps Officer and Brigade Secretary.

"I expect that you will wish me to inform our Chief Commissioner that I duly carried out his command and I suggest that we pledge ourselves here and now to do everything in our power to justify his confidence in us."

"It is a great pleasure for me to be able to meet you all again at our Headquarters. So much has happened since our last Brigade meeting here, and I am sad that so many of our members who fell in the war are not here to join us."

"We must thank Dr. Selwyn-Clarke for his untiring effort in getting back our Headquarters for us, because now I feel that we can now go ahead and reorganise ourselves as a useful body of workers for the welfare of our Colony."

"The Commissioner for Overseas, Sir James Sleeman, has sent a telegram, congratulating us on the return of our Building and good wishes and thanks to you all for the good work done by each of you during hostilities."

"Dr. Selwyn-Clarke and Mr. Arculli have especially recommended the following members for outstanding work and bravery and they have been accepted and granted:—Mr. E. M. Raymond, Commander, Mr. A. el Arculli, Associate Commander, Mr. L. Kadoorie, Associate Officer, Dr. Chau Wei Cheung, Officer, Dr. Tseng Fat In, Officer, Dr. P. Shroff, nee Ruttonjee, Associate Officer, Miss Fok Kum Yung, Officer, Miss Hung Lai Kwan, Officer; Serving Sisters: Dr. Lai Po-chuen, O.B.E., Miss Lois Fearon, Mrs. E. H. Tinson, Associate Serving Sisters: Miss Mary Suffield, Serving Brothers: Dr. J. B. Mackie, Mr. S. K. Szeto, Mr. Lam Wing Kam, Mr. Cheng Tin, Mr. Chak Po Tin, Mr. Chung Yung Ping, Mr. Leung Sik Yan, Mr. Chan Hung Yau, Mr. Chu Si Lun, Mr. Chan Ting Kwan, Mr. Wan Sui Hon, and Associate Serving Brothers: Mr. A. H. Tang, Mr. Lo Ying Yin, Mr. Tang Kwok Fai, Mr. Tang Man Chi, Mr. Sze Po Kan, Mr. Kwan Yuk, Mr. Fu Kit, Dr. A. Ramler.

"When these medals arrive, it is possible that you may wish to know what steps are being taken to secure payment of salaries earned in December 1941, and ex gratia payments for three months following the fall of Hong Kong and whether any

medals

"I had hoped that it would have been possible for Government to approve payment of the sums due to members of the Brigade and Nursing Division by the 15 I.C.C.S. and the band of the Jaipur Guards. It is, by local standards, a wonderful programme because it has what most local programmes lack—a touch of the artistic."

"In so far as concerns war medals, it was originally ruled that none were eligible for such rewards. However, I took the matter up with the War Office,

at the suggestion of the Chief Commissioner, and with the Colonial Office and there have been questions in the House of Commons. In short, I am optimistic that something may eventually come of this."

"Meanwhile, I suggest that one and all of us should do our utmost to interest our friends and neighbours in the Association and Brigade so that it may be in position to offer once more its valued services to the community."

"May I take the opportunity of thanking you very warmly for your valuable cooperation in volunteering to assist in the anti-smallpox campaign at no little inconvenience and expense to yourselves?"

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke said:—"I share your Commissioner's pleasure in meeting once again the officers and members of the St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade, including the Nursing Division."

"Most of us have been through some rather anxious times in the past five years and we mourn for those who died or made the great sacrifice during the troubles."

"It may be known to many of you that we had an informal meeting of most of the senior officers of the Brigade and Nursing Division at Medical Headquarters in October of last year, stimulated by the Lady Louis Mountbatten."

"At this meeting, we considered a report of the excellent work carried out by the Brigade during the eighteen days battle for Hong Kong in 1941."

"With an addition, this report was approved and was handed to the Chief Commissioner of the Brigade Overseas when your Commissioner and I visited St. John's Gate in London."

"During the course of several conferences between the Lady Louis Mountbatten, Colonel Sleeman, Mr. Raymond and myself, it was decided to submit through the Investigation Committee to the Chapter the recommendations for outstanding service which had been brought forward at the informal gathering here in October last, together with suggestions regarding the future activities of the Association and Brigade made at the same time."

"I think that your Commissioner will bear me out that complete unanimity was reached and that the authorities were delighted to learn of the manner in which members of St. John had acquitted themselves during the Japanese invasion of our Colony."

Lady Mountbatten

"I had the privilege of seeing the Lady Louis Mountbatten, Superintendent-in-Chief, the evening before I sailed from England and she asked me to convey a message of goodwill to you all and her hope that the Brigade would go from strength to strength."

The Chief Commissioner of the Brigade Overseas, Colonel Sir James Sleeman, wrote to me as follows a few days before I left England:

"I shall be most grateful if you will convey to all who do our work in Hong Kong, particularly Mr. Raymond, my deepest gratitude and of the Order of St. John for what has been an splendidly accomplished since the end of Japan in regard to the restoration of our work in that Colony."

"Please convey to the Chinese people the deep satisfaction I have felt with the reception of the 'seed' for Voluntary Ambulance Service and the splendid spirit in which they have served the St. John Ambulance Overseas under my command. I am sure that the Chinese, too, will be deeply moved by what the West Indian members found the two most efficient Ambulance and Nursing

witnesses in the case was ad-journed until today."

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Lower Court proceedings were heard before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case against Cheung Lai, charged with the manslaughter of Yeung Yuk-nam, on board a tramcar.

Sub-Inspector Allen prosecut-

ed.

It was stated that at about 8.45 a.m. on Sept. 15 deceased accidentally trod on accused's foot in a tramcar.

Accused lost his temper and a fight started. Deceased was injured and died later.

After evidences by several

witnesses, the case was ad-

joined until today.

VAN GOGH

Caught by the grace of sinuous yellow reflected in the glare of the spotlights, a memory came back to me of the passion that Vincent Van Gogh carried through his last years to commit art to canvas—a sun-splashed yellow that pigments somehow could not catch. In the process he lost his mind and finally shot himself.

He achieved what he had sought in the barbary splendours of the sunflowers he painted at Arles. Many an author has sought to analyse the passion that drove Van Gogh mad.

Living Stone wrote a memorable fictional

biography and Madge Jenison

caught by the grace of sinuous yellow reflected in the glare of the spotlights,

Naval Officer Tells Court Of The Responsibilities Of A Master

DEADLOCK

The meeting between representatives of the Hong Kong Printing Association and the Hong Kong Chinese Press Association at the office of the Labour Officer yesterday afternoon again ended in a deadlock.

The "China Mail" was informed by a spokesman of the Hong Kong Chinese Printing Association that the only condition on which the parties were unable to come to any agreement was that relating to board and lodgings. The matter is, so the "China Mail" was further informed, being left in the hands of the Labour Officer.

BLIZZARD

Denver, Colorado, Nov. 4. Six are dead here and transportation facilities are virtually paralyzed as a result of a blizzard of 36 hours duration which is continuing with almost 20 inches of snow already on the ground.

It was the heaviest snowstorm in recent years. The weather bureau predicted it would last during the night.—Associated Press.

Rangoon, Nov. 3. Aung San, who heads the Burma interim Government, said today: "British Imperialism is closely linked with the Indian situation. Once India obtains complete freedom, British Imperialism in South East Asia will be greatly impaired." He added: "I prefer peaceful methods to achieve Burma's independence, but our new Executive Council's policy cannot be stated at present as we have been in office only for a very short time."—Reuter.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

CHRISTMAS MAIL BY SEA SERVICE TO UNITED KINGDOM.

Christmas Letter and Parcel Mails for United Kingdom will close per ss. "Empress of Australia" as follows:

G.P.O.

Parcels—Saturday 9/11 5 p.m.

Reg.—Saturday 9/11 5 p.m.

Ord.—Tuesday 12/11 11 a.m.

Kowloon C.P.O.

Parcels—Saturday 9/11 4 p.m.

Reg.—Saturday 9/11 4 p.m.

Ord.—Tuesday 12/11 11 a.m.

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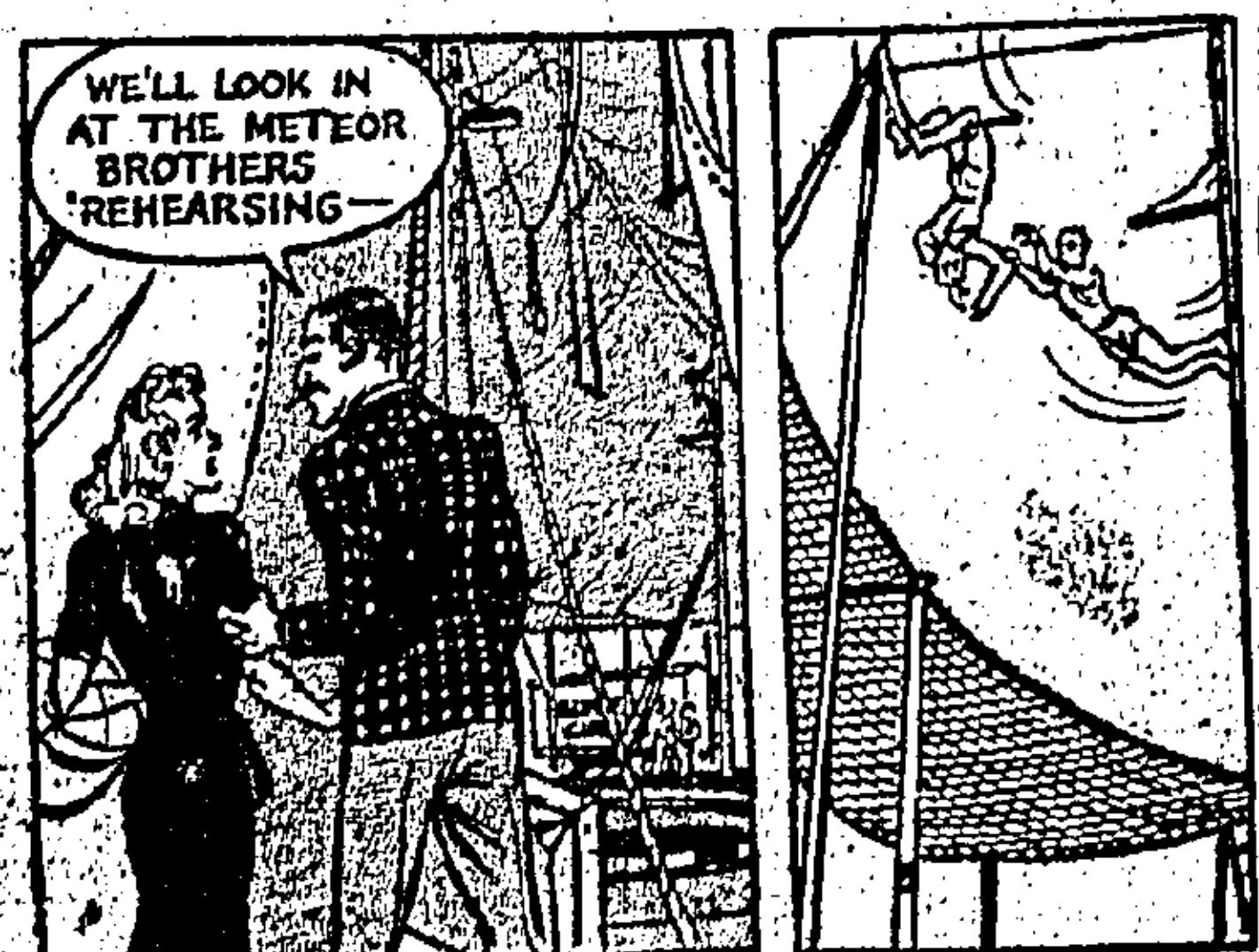
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(Kwong Sai) 3.30 p.m.

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JANE



THE HAWKER CASE

Hearing of committal proceedings against Ramzan Syed, 27, Emergency Unit constable charged with the manslaughter of Wong Shui-cheng, Hawker, in Portland Street on Oct. 26 was fixed at Kowloon Court yesterday for Thursday, Nov. 14, at 2 p.m.

versely affect the safety of his ship.

Sand Ballast
Araki was recalled to the witness box by the Court to clear up certain points.

Commander Gregory, aged 38, said that the Captain of a ship was entirely responsible for the safety of his ship, his cargo and all passengers as well as for everything that happened on board. Witness was quite clear that an order given by a superior officer likely to endanger his ship would in no way absolve him from responsibility for the safety of the ship and all on board.

He considered that these principles must apply whether the ship was damaged or not. In the case of damage, the Captain necessarily be the only person to know the facts and to be able to sum up the situation so that he could give the order to abandon ship at the appropriate moment.

These principles were sub-

scribed to in the Royal Navy, up-

held by usage throughout many centuries and also by logic. The sea being an international highway, witness considered that by this usage and logic, ships of all nationalities must necessarily subscribe to it. In support of his contention, witness referred to the Geneva Convention, the Hague Convention and the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea. Witness then continued to read out Article 44 of the last mentioned Convention, which set forth the responsibilities of a master.

Hypothetical Case

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Indian Watchmen Charged

The alleged betrayal of an American airman and a loyal Chinese by two Indian watchmen employed by the Hong Kong Rope Factory to the Japanese resulting in their arrest at the beginning of 1945 was related before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when the trial of the two Indians under the 1940 Defence Regulations was opened.

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The occupant of the house, So Shukuen, a fish dealer, watched the descent of the American airman. He went to his rescue and helped him get out of the parachute.

"Is It Not Right?"

Chaman Singh saw So helping the airman to pack up the parachute. Addressing Chaman Singh purposely with the high respect of a Chinese when speaking to him, he said: "So, is it not right that we should help this airman who is helping China?" The Indian replied: "This is your business not mine" and walked away.

So, with the help of other members of his family, took the airman to a demolished house and hid him there until nightfall, hoping to help him to escape to Free China. So also hid the airman's parachute and other belongings in another house.

Rangoon, Nov. 3. Ex-Premier U Saw, leader of the Myochit (Peasant) Party, was recently released from hospital after recovering from wounds sustained in an attempted assassination last September, will be sworn in as Executive Council member for Education and Arts at Government House here tomorrow.—Reuter.

RADIO
7.30 p.m.—"Daily Programme Summary."
12.30 p.m.—"Glen Miller & His Orchestra."
1.00 p.m.—"The Weather Report and Announcements."
1.10 p.m.—"Orchestral Interlude."
1.15 p.m.—"Swing Time!"
1.30 p.m.—"State Opera Orchestra and Alexander Khnals (Baro)."
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8.30 p.m.—"Film Favourites."
9.00 p.m.—"London Philharmonic Orchestra."
9.20 p.m.—"Vincent Wallace's 'Marianna'."
10.00 p.m.—"London Relay News."
10.05 p.m.—"London Art Cinema Interlude."
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New Plan For Malaya

Singapore, Nov. 3.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Governor-General of the Malayan Union and Singapore, will fly to London towards the end of this month. It is believed here he will take documents regarding the constitution which, if approved by the Cabinet and by the non-Malay domiciled communities in

Malaya, will give the country a

federation instead of a Malayan

Union, for which the proposals

for which were the cause of controversy.

The committee drafting the

new Malayan constitution pro-

posals has adjourned for 10

days "to enable full considera-

tion to be given to its recom-

mendations as to what is needed

as a whole" before these are

submitted in final form at their

next session, an official state-

ment from Kuala Lumpur

stated today.

The committee, comprising 12

Malays and Britons, has been

sitting in Kuala Lumpur since

Aug. 6, working out the new

plan for a Malayan Federation

in place of the Malayan Union.

The British Government's

plans for the future adminis-

tration of Malaya, announced in

October last year, provided

for a Malayan Union of the

nine states in the peninsula,

with the two British settlements

of Penang and Malacca and the

separate colony of Singapore.

There would be a Governor

of the Union, a Governor of the

Colony and a Governor-General

over both. The plan met con-

siderable opposition from

Malaya, particularly from the

Sultans, and on July 5 this year

it was announced that considerable

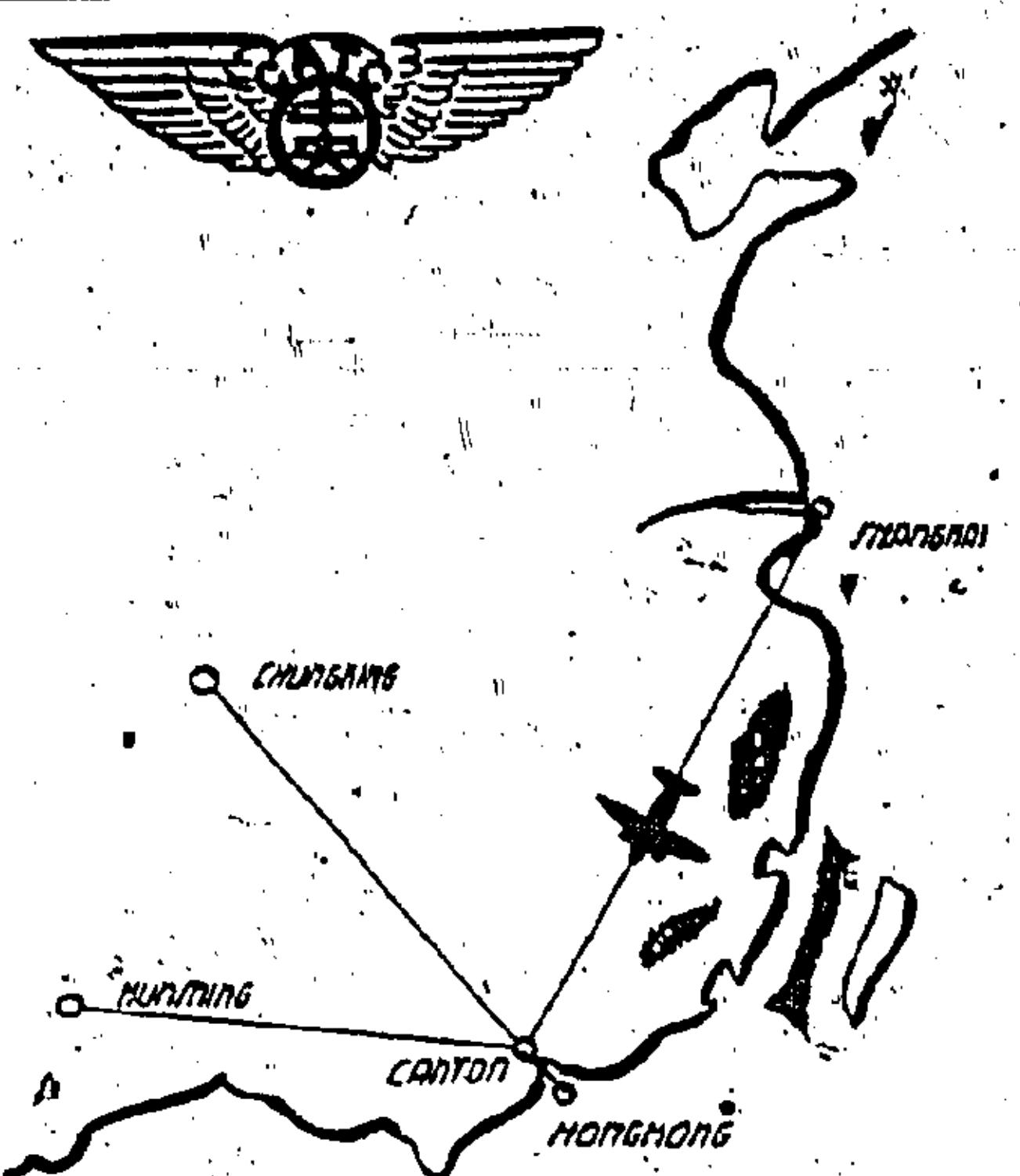
modifications had been made

to the proposed constitution

after consultations between

Mr. MacDonald and the Sultans

whereby the union would be

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NEW DEFINITION OF SOVIET POLICY

No Obstacles In Way Of Better Relations

Best Opinion Of British People

(By Eddie Gilmore)

"Pravda," in a new definition of Soviet foreign policy, declared today that Russia is placing "absolutely no obstacles" in the path of improved commercial and cultural relations between the Soviet Union and the rest of the world.

Referring to Premier Joseph Stalin's recent statement that there has been no increase in the tension between Russia and the United States, "Pravda" said that "nowhere in the whole world is the Soviet Union assaulting the lawful interests of the United States or any country."

Haste And Waste In U.N.O.

New York, Nov. 4.

Feodoro T. Gusev and Kenneth Younger, United Nations delegates from the Soviet Union and the United Kingdom, respectively, yesterday joined the attack on the United Nations finances begun on Friday by Senator Arthur Vandenberg of the United States.

Gusev demanded before the Budgetary Committee that the United Nations staff be cut 30 to 40 percent, that the London office be eliminated and that plans for a world-wide public information system be dropped. He said that the proposed 1947 budget, estimated by the Secretary General Trygve Lie, at \$23,780,000 was much too high.

He wanted the capital fund cut from \$25,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

Gusev denounced "haste and waste" in the secretariat's works and said the United Nations was being drowned in a flood of paper work. Lie retorted that he was only carrying out directions from the United Nations and that Mr. Gusev was "wrong in all his judgments."

Younger asked for economy and said that money could be saved without impairing the efficiency of the organization. — Associated Press.

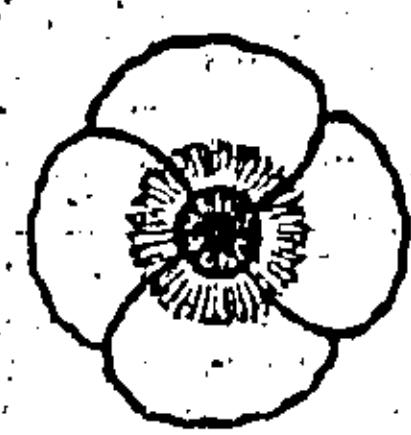
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It is even more necessary than ever before to secure support for Earl Haig's Fund for the war disabled. The need is great and the Committee of the British Legion feel that you will wish to be identified in an endeavour to alleviate the distress of the present and future sufferers.

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Nehru Appeals To Indians For Peace

Calcutta, Nov. 4.

A joint appeal for "the restoration of peace throughout India" was made by the head of the interim Government, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, and three other Government members in Calcutta yesterday.

Pandit Nehru, who was accompanied by Sarfaraz Vallabh Patel, Liaquat Ali Khan and Abdur Rab Nishtar, said: "We do not wish to say anything at this stage about controversial matters, for the situation is difficult and delicate and the wrong word may complicate it still further.

"It is our duty to do our utmost to put an end, not only to the immediate perils, but also the

BATTLE AGAINST PAIN

(Continued from Page 4)
newest operations, guessing that they were not at all the kind of thing you see carried out by handsome, white-coated men in Hollywood films.

Many modern operations, he told me, are performed on grounds which, although they have shown no obvious signs of change, have produced profound effects in other parts of the body.

Morton's Day

And what of the modern surgeon? The old-time sawbones of Morton's day needed only a knowledge of anatomy and a sharpish knife. The 3,000 holders of Britain's FRCS (the highest surgical qualification in the world) have rather more considerable demands made of them.

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"And slender, sensitive, white fingers," I asked.

Sir Alfred laughed. "Sensitive, certainly," he said. "The shape does not matter. I have seen very clumsy looking hands carry out masterpieces of delicate surgery." — Reuter

EDITOR BEATEN UP

Milan, Nov. 3.

Emilio Uberto, architect and editor of the weekly newspaper Siriano, a strong supporter of the Right Wing Uomo Quilangue (Common Man movement), was kidnapped and beaten up while travelling on a train bound for Novara. In the early hours of yesterday morning.

He was dragged from the train about ten minutes after it had stopped at Prato Sesia, and was taken to a hut in the hills where he was questioned and threatened with death if he did not stop issuing Siriano. He was released late last night when he reported the incident. — Reuter

Intervention In Greece By Britain

Both the British and American Governments were reported to have intervened in the Greek political deadlock by advising Royalist Prime Minister Constantin Tsaldaris that a coalition Government was a virtual necessity.

King George II took a new hand in the muddled situation in an effort to give the negotiations new impetus. He received two of the three leaders of the Opposition National Union bloc, George Papandreou and Sophocles Venizelos, in an effort to break the deadlock.

The chances of forming a broadened Government appeared bright on Friday and then the negotiations deadlocked on the refusal of Tsaldaris to surrender key Ministries held by members of his Party.

British Ambassador Sir Clifford Norton and United States Ambassador Lincoln MacVeagh were said to have told Tsaldaris that the British and American Governments could not give material assistance to an administration which the British and American people did not accept as Democratic. Tsaldaris then expressed willingness to renew the negotiations.

New Blood

Following a two-hour conference with the King, Tsaldaris said yesterday that he would present for the King's approval a reshuffled Cabinet, still excluding the Opposition, sometimes during the day, and that it may be sworn in the same night.

General Nicolas Radescu, former Prime Minister and well-known figure in the Balkans, who is now in Cyprus, is free to leave the island by any method for any country into which he has obtained facilities, declared the Colonial Secretary of Cyprus, Mr. Roland E. Turnbull, today.

General Radescu had been reported earlier as saying that Britain was making no move to obtain a visa for him to go to a foreign country, and he was being kept in Cyprus against his will.

The Colonial Secretary's statement was made following reports in Cyprus that plans were underway for Radescu to board a sailing ketch for Italy, and Mr. Turnbull said that to his knowledge "the authorities have neither been approached nor have they knowledge of the plan."

Radescu, who recently expressed his intention of travelling to Switzerland to carry on what he called "the fight against Communism," has for the past month been staying at a modest hotel in Nicosia, following a minor operation.

He arrived in Cyprus on June 15 of this year after a secret air dash from Bucharest, covering the 750 miles in an ancient Savoia Marchetti biplane, without a compass or chronometer and using an old school atlas for a chart. His pilot was a pre-war night-flying instructor.

Radescu, who is 70 years of age, said after he landed that

he realised that he could no longer remain in Romania when an attempt was made on his life in Bucharest in May.

It is recalled that Radescu, after the armistice with Russia, took refuge in the British Legation in Bucharest on March 9, 1945, three days after he handed over the premiership to Dr. Petre Groza. His Government had resigned after disagreements with the National Democratic Front culminated in disturbances in the country.

Moscow radio reports on July 27 this year said that warrants for the arrest of General Radescu and 72 other Romanian officials had been issued by the "Kumanian" Government.

They were accused of forming, late in 1944, a secret society to "restore Fascism," the radio said. — Reuter

Rioting broke out in Trieste for the first time in two months yesterday as 10,000 Italian sympathizers celebrated the 28th anniversary of the "Liberation" of the city from the Austrians — a date which local Slovenes consider the beginning of their "enslavement".

A crowd of 5,000 gathered outside Headquarters of the Allied Military Government for an unauthorised demonstration, and were dispersed by 24 mounted Venezia Giulia civil policemen led by a British warrant officer of the Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry, who repeatedly charged into the demonstrators.

"Let us put flags in all windows against the infamy of an adverse victory. Trieste today shows friend and foe its genuine unconquered Italian will."

Twelve Italians were arrested in various parts of the city. Crowds first began forming for a religious service at the Cathedral of San Giusto—an authorized ceremony in memory of the Italian war dead of World War I.

Slovenes Stoned

The unauthorized demonstrations began when groups of students, wearing Italian colours, sang national songs outside the Cathedral, and then moved towards the centre of the town as crowds formed behind them.

The officers of pro-Yugoslav newspapers and organizations were stoned by students and isolated Slovenes were attacked in various parts of the city.

Six American military policemen helped the civil police in dispersing the crowd at AMG Headquarters.

BRITISH WAR BRIDE CONVICTED

Las Vegas, Nevada, Nov. 4.

Bridget Waters, Irish war bride accused of murdering her husband, was convicted yesterday of involuntary manslaughter.

The penalty for involuntary manslaughter is from one to five years in Nevada's State Penitentiary at Carson City.

Along with the verdict, the jury recommended that Bridget be deported to Great Britain after her release.

She would be eligible for parole after 11 months in State prison.

The attractive dark-haired war bride, 26, was tried on charges of first degree murder which could have brought a maximum penalty of death or life imprisonment. — Associated Press.

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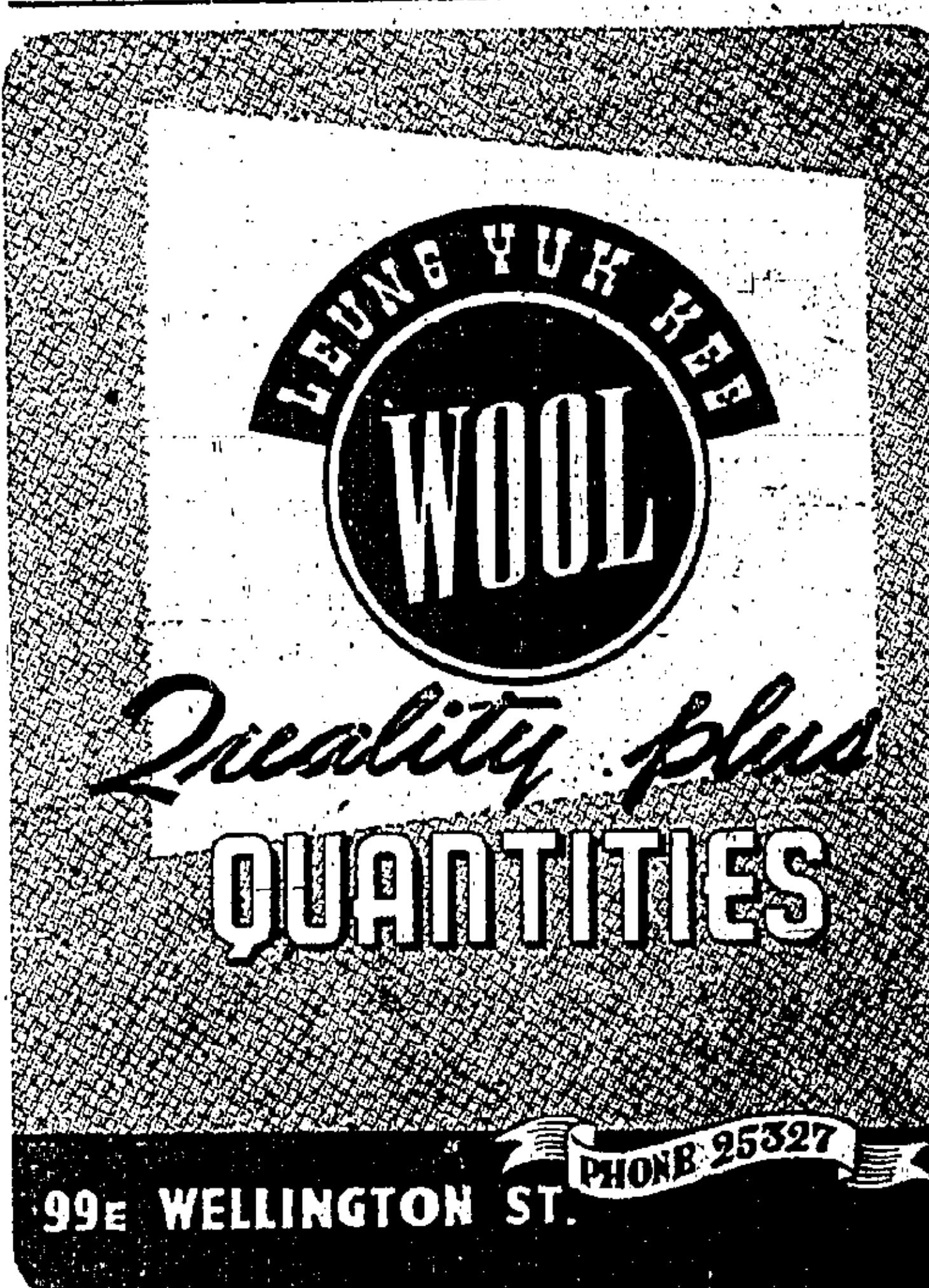
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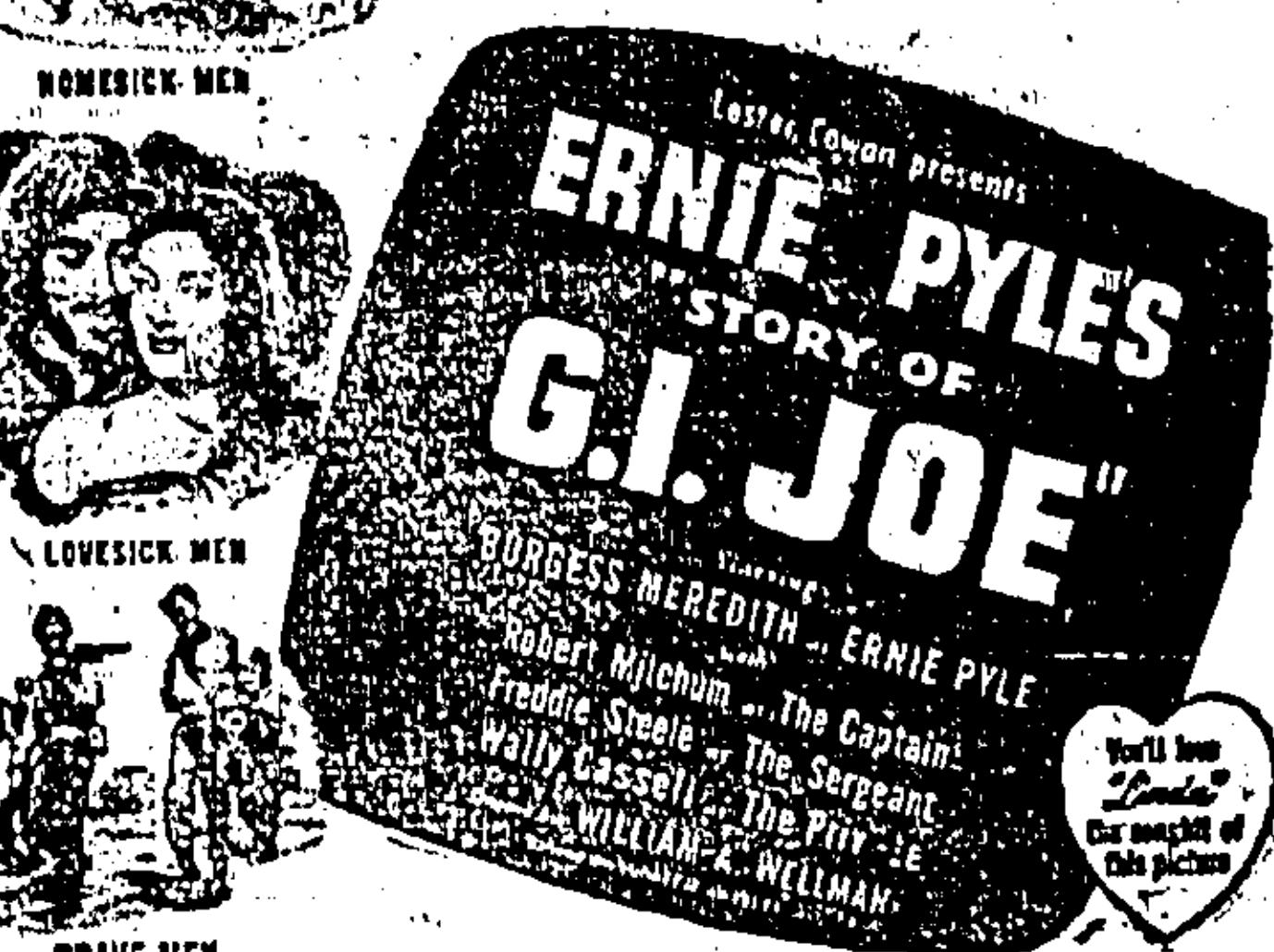
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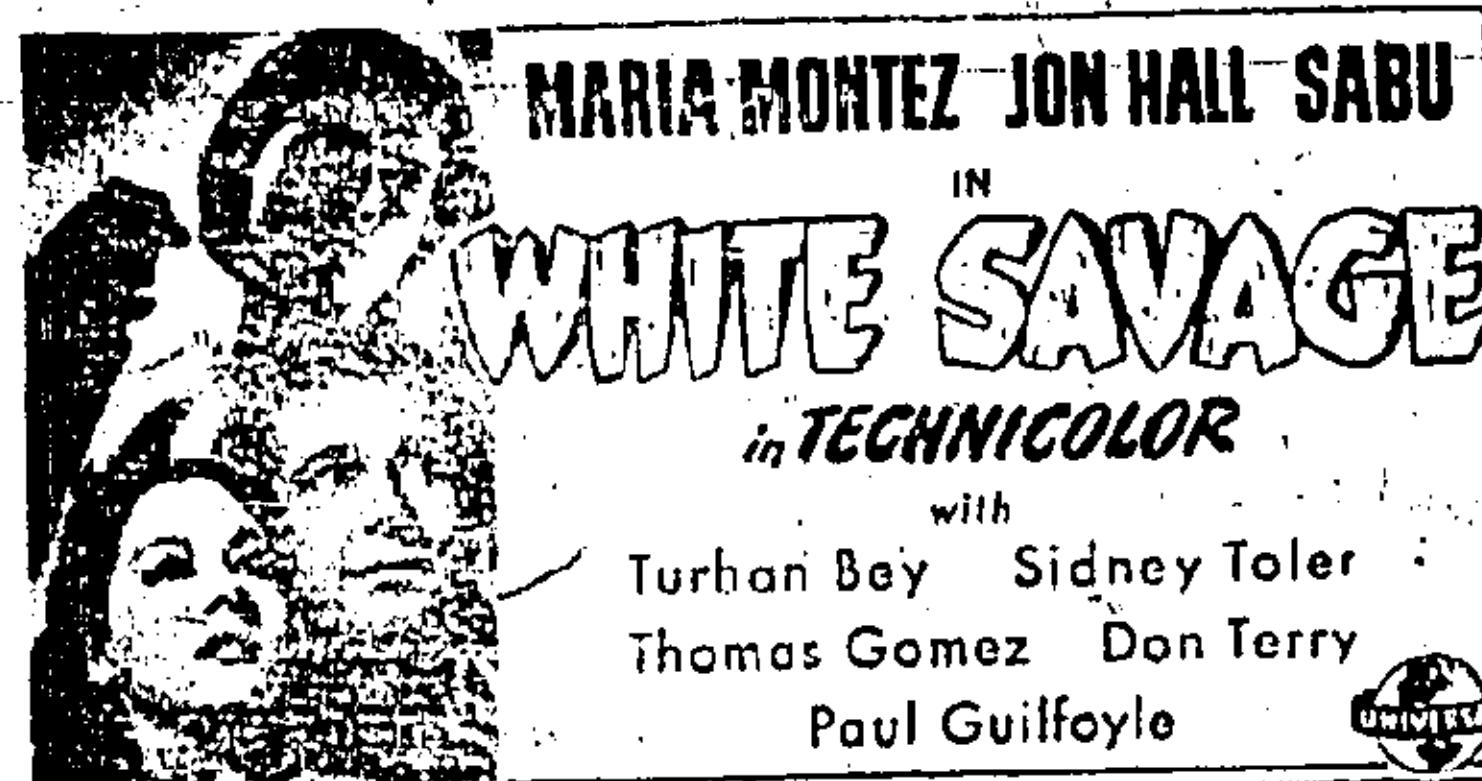
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MINORITY BLOC VOTES WILL SWAY CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS

Washington, Nov. 3. The bloc votes of such minorities as Jewry, Roman Catholics and Poles or Germans will play a big part when the United States goes to the polls on Tuesday for the mid-term election, in which the entire House of Representatives and one-third of the Senate will be elected afresh. The Palestine crisis and the part United States statesmen have played in it has brought to the notice of the world the apparently disproportionate influence that America's minorities wield over the conduct of politicians in the months before national election.

Jews are by no means the only such party. German stock forms the largest foreign group in the country. Some 5,250,000 citizens either born in Germany, or with German-born parents, are concentrated most powerfully in Missouri, Wisconsin and Ohio. Politicians in New York, Illinois, New Jersey and Pennsylvania have also to take them into account.

The recent speech of the Secretary of State, Mr. James Byrnes, on the future of Germany and the part the United States will play in it is expected to have a direct influence on the vote in such areas.

Catholic Bloc

Similarly, the policies of the United States delegation in Paris on the Italian peace treaty will have an effect on the votes of some 4,600,000 persons who were born in Italy, or have Italian-born parents. This minority is concentrated in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and California.

Defendant was engaged to carry the eggs from Wing Shing Street to Tai Nan Street, and while the complainant went into the Central Market for half an hour, he disappeared with the eggs.

When arrested, defendant admitted that he sold the eggs and lost the money in gambling.

Li Shing, 21, and Sui Yiuming, 20, were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday with burglary at the servants' quarters of the Hong Kong Signal Corps, Shan Kwong Road, Happy Valley, on Sunday.

Defendants were found in possession of a gunny sack containing 20 pieces of clothing, a blanket and two bed sheets.

First defendant was sentenced to 12 months' hard-labour and second defendant, who had a previous conviction, to 18 months.

Booking has now opened at the King's Theatre for the special screening of "True Glory" on the morning of Nov. 11. From 10-30 a.m. until 11 a.m. the Band of the Jaipur Guards will present a programme of music. Proceeds will be devoted to Earl Haig's Fund.

The Speaker at the Hongkong Rotary Club's luncheon today at the Gloucester Hotel at 12.30 p.m. will be Major C. W. L. Way, and his subject will be "The Lighter Side of Army Life."

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of Macao against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of cholera have been removed as from Nov. 1.

London, Nov. 3. Dr. V. Clementis, State Secretary of the Czechoslovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs, accompanied by his wife, arrived at Croydon airport today from Prague on his way to join M. Jan Masaryk at the United Nations Conference. He will sail for New York in the liner Queen Elizabeth, in a few days' time.

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HUGE CYANIDE HAUL

Berlin, Nov. 3. Seventy-seven thousand pounds of potassium cyanide—the suicide poison used by Goering, Himmler and other leading Nazis—were seized by the German criminal police in Wilmersdorf district of Berlin when they arrested 34-year-old Gunther Wulff, of Charlottenburg, with his Black Market agent, for the sale of phials to a labourer.

The phials—each of which contained a fatal dose—had been sent to a chemical firm in January 1945 but had somehow fallen into Wulff's possession.—Reuter.

FABIANS' SOCIALISTAIMS

London, Nov. 3. Socialism in one commonwealth was put forward as a Fabian aim in a speech by the Minister of Food, Mr. John Strachey, before a huge audience at the Fabian Society's Diamond Jubilee rally at the Albert Hall tonight.

One part of the problem of Socialist development with the Commonwealth and Empire was, he said, that of securing parallel cooperative planning by Labour Dominion Governments in the Southern Dominions of New Zealand and Australia.

"In the other major Dominion—Canada—we do not have a

Labour Government—but we

have one which is willing to take great steps in constructive economic planning, such as the recent Canadian wheat contract. I believe that in the long term the key to the solution of the food problem in this country lies precisely in the Fabian Socialist planning of food resources in the British Commonwealth. For us it is not a question of Socialism in one country—it is a question of socialism in one Commonwealth."

Speeches were also made by the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, the Lord President of the Council, Mr. Herbert Morrison, and the Minister of Education, Miss Ellen Wilkinson. Professor Harold Laski was in the chair.—Reuter.

U.S. Food Warning

Washington, Nov. 3. World food production from 1946-1947 harvests may slightly exceed the pre-war average, the

United States Department of

Agriculture predicted, but added a warning that careful utilisation of the available export surpluses will be needed to avert another acute near-famine next spring.

In an exhaustive report covering the prospects in all the main food producing nations of the world, the Department said the overall output should be about seven per cent above last year's low production, but "the production level in war and drought devastated areas is still far below the average and food imports will continue to be urgent."

The demand from exporting countries is likely to be nearly as great during this year as last while the exportable surpluses in terms of calories may not be larger.

Bread grain supplies available for export will be somewhat smaller than last year because of the reduction of stocks and rice supplies available from the exporting areas may be no larger.

Supplies of sugar, fats, and oils and fish are likely to be greater but these increases will be partially offset by smaller exports of meat, dairy products and eggs.

Following their decision to draft Negro voters away from the Republican Party, and under the banner of "Progressivism" and "Anti-Discrimination" the Democratic Party is attempting to keep things that way.—Reuter.

British Interest

London, Nov. 4. Keen British interest in Tues-

day's American elections was mirrored in front page newspaper displays in London today. Nearly all stories predicted a

Republican victory in the House and forecast confusion in the

next two years between the new Congress and President Truman's administration.

Few correspondents resisted the temptation to say that the American system of checks and balances compared unfavourably with Britain's parliamentary system where, under a Prime Minister, an "opposition" house is impossible.—Associated Press.

Chinese Problems Not Insoluble

Seattle, Nov. 4. China's internal political problems are not insoluble and may

have been exaggerated in the

minds of many observers, General Chang Chun said today on arrival by plane from New York.

He declined to comment further

on the difficulties facing his country but expressed optimism for China's future.

"With American machinery and investments, we will be able to

industrialise ourselves and create a tremendous purchasing power," he said.

He pointed out that the Pacific

coast ports would benefit greatly through increased trade with China.

Chang will remain in Seattle

until tomorrow, when he will fly

to San Francisco and thence to

China. He is accompanied by his

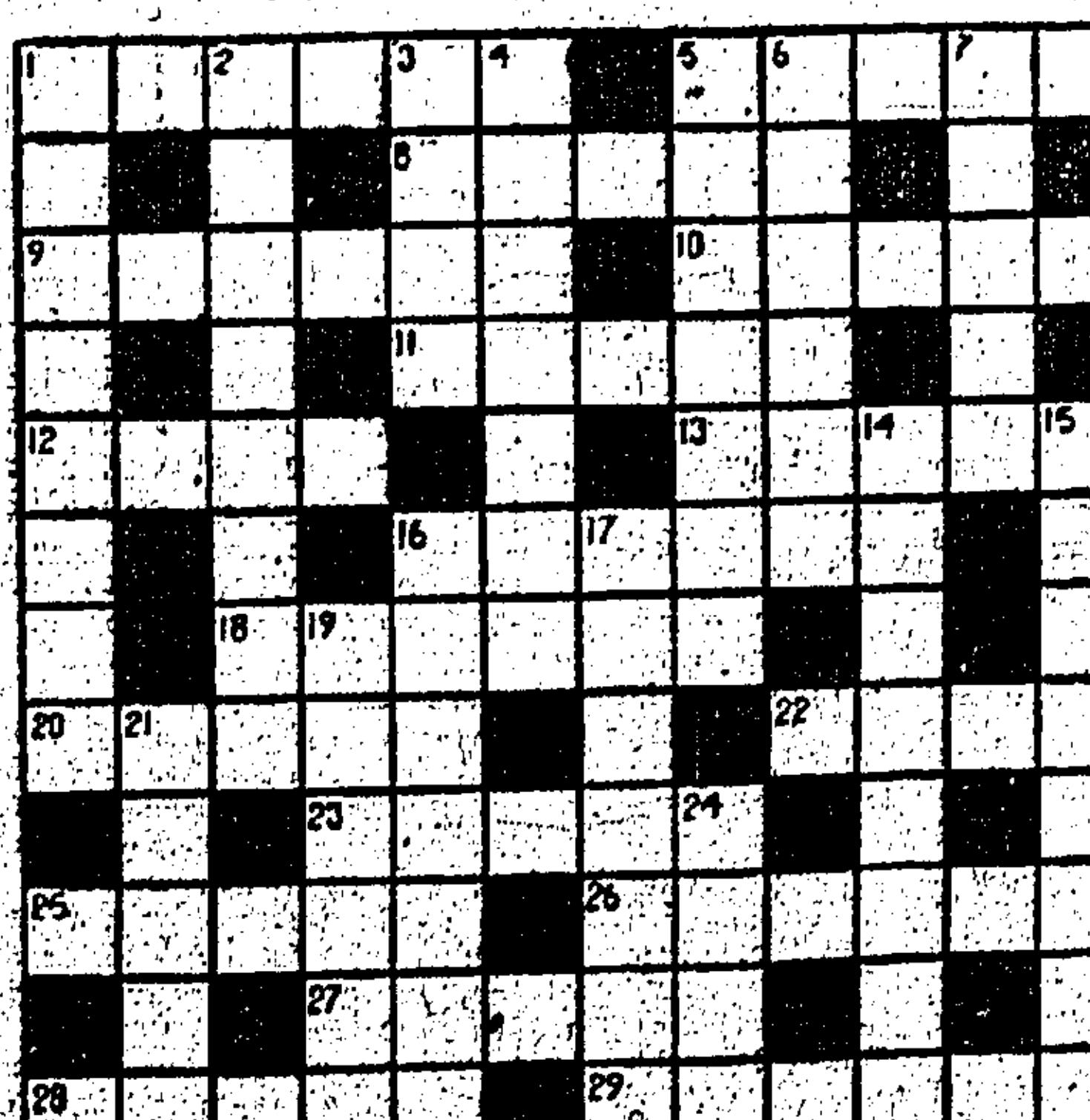
wife and son-in-law, Daniel Lew,

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Alexandria, Nov. 2. Gold, per fine ounce 163 Piastres.—Reuter.

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Crossword Clues Across

1. Sorted. 18. Damsel.

5. Bird. 20. Precipitous.

9. Exclude. 22. Perfume.

12. Calamitous. 23. Excitation.

16. Boundary. 25. Sea.

11. Right of possession. 26. Walk un-

steadily.

12. Catalogue. 27. Belief.

13. Come in. 28. Mount.

15. Far off. 29. Rank.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS.—1. Parish. 5. Press;

8. Pair. 9. Guitar. 11. Epoch.

12. Normal. 14. Card. 16. Tense.

18. Villa. 19. Berg. 20. Branch.

21. Angel. 23. Citling. 25. Eden.

27. Ended. 28. Defend.

DOWN.—1. Page. 2. Ruin. 3.

Spar. 4. Harmed. 5. Prelate. 6.

Eloping. 7. Schemed. 10. Total.

13. Average. 14. Clogged. 15.

Rambled. 17. Erect. 19. Brazen.

21. Nine. 22. Hide. 23. Aged.

24. Observe.

Crossword Clues Down

1. Colonists. 5. Old ship.

2. Awe-inspir-

ing. 7. Backbone.

3. Revise. 14. One who makes n't will.

4. Determined.

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AMERICA TO BOOST FAR EAST TRADE

U. S. EXPORTS DECLINE

Washington, Nov. 4.
The recent buxus reported that the maritime strike reduced United States exports in September to the lowest in any month this year.

The total is only \$641,000,000 compared with monthly average of \$810,000,000 in the previous eight months of the year.—Associated Press.

Promotion of United States trade throughout the Far East and India has led to creation here of a Far East-American Council of Commerce and Industry, designed to provide American business with an integrated specialised trade association operating throughout southern and eastern Asia.

In announcing establishment of the organisation, Arthur B. Foye, its President, said that it was the outgrowth of the China-American Council of Commerce and Industry, but that the latter Council would be maintained as a China division and the China work would continue unimpaired.

The China-American Council, organised in 1943, now comprises about 160 companies representing a cross section of American industry interested in trade with Pacific areas.

Harry D. Collier, Chairman of the Board of the Standard Oil of California, said of the Far East-American Council:

"The acquisition by India and the Philippines of a status of independence will create many new adjustments requiring special study. It may be expected that throughout the Orient there will be a gradual evolution from the hitherto colonial or semi-colonial status that has existed, and this will bring with it important economic changes."

"To an increasing extent these areas will be considered not only as primary sources of some of our basic raw materials, but also as potentially great and growing markets for American products."

"The United States will, of course, play an important role in the reorganisation of Japanese and Korean economies."

Collier, who is Chairman of the Council's California Regional Board, mentioned that heretofore there has been no "unified and authoritative voice pressing the viewpoints and interests of American business" in most of the countries of the Orient. He said: "In these

New York Exchanges

New York, Nov. 4.
Copper prices in the foreign market moved slightly higher during the week and the demand continued strong.

Prices ranged from 17½ cents a pound to 17¾ for foreign produced copper.

Shortages in certain shapes still plagued industry but transportation conditions improved.

October deliveries estimated at more than 110,000 tons including about 50,000 tons of foreign copper were released by the Metal Reserve Company.

Lead miners who struck against the St. Joseph Lead Company Mine Mills returned to work Friday after an eight day shutdown estimated to have cut November deliveries more than 3,500 tons.

Zinc producers reported the demand for special highgrade zinc and prime western continued high. Die casters are seeking the highgrade and galvanizers the western.

Steel sheet and strip makers reported orders sufficient to carry them through the first quarter of 1947.

Most steel plate producers said tonnages booked would absorb their probable output for the first half of 1947.

Scrap shortages continued to worry the steel mills and some said they would further increase the quantity of pig iron in open hearth furnaces next week. This would reduce the pig iron supply for foundries which already are short.—Associated Press.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

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WHALING FLEET

Johannesburg, Nov. 4.
A whaling fleet manned by 100,000 sailors will leave South African ports soon for the Antarctic whaling waters in an effort to relieve the world shortage of fats and oils.

At least 12 separate expeditions including virtually every unit of British and Norwegian whaling fleets are participating. Planes and radar will be employed for spotting whales.—Associated Press.

COMPANY REPORTS

New York, Nov. 4.
Dow Chemical reported for the quarter ended Aug. 31 a profit of \$3,607,303, equal to \$2.64 a share compared with \$1.75 the same quarter of 1945.

Standard Oil Company of New Jersey declared its regular semi-annual dividend of 50 cents a share and an extra payment of \$1.00 a share both payable Dec. 12 to record shareholders of Nov. 18.—Associated Press.

NEW HIGH

Detroit, Nov. 4.
United States and Canadian passenger and truck production reached a new postwar high this week with completion of 23,298 units compared with 92,879 comparable to a week of 1941.

There were 63,920 cars completed in the United States of which 25,450 were trucks.—Associated Press.

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New Liners For Orient

San Francisco, Nov. 4.
American President Lines' newest luxury liner President Wilson will be launched at Bethlehem shipyard in Alameda on Nov. 24.

The Wilson and its recently launched twin, President Cleveland, are the largest ships ever built in the Pacific coast yards—22,900 tons and 610 feet long. They accommodate 852 cabin and tourist class passengers and a crew of 338.

The ships were originally designed as navy transports of the "general" class but were converted during construction to carry passengers with luxury fittings. Completion was delayed many months by strikes and material shortages.—Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Nov. 4.
The National Steel Corporation reported a third quarter profit of \$8,264,976, equal to \$2.89 a share compared with 92 cents for the same period in 1945.—Associated Press.

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Shareholders of the Union Waterboat Co., Ltd., were told yesterday at their first post-war meeting, of the Company's good fortune to find their fleet of five waterboats and their launch still afloat after the Japanese surrender, though they were in a bad state of neglect. It was further announced that the Japanese surrendered All the vessels were in a bad state of neglect. Temporary repairs were carried out by the Government, who operated the Waterboats until Nov. 30, 1945, on which date they were handed back to the Company. The No. 5 and No. 7 Waterboats were chartered by the Navy in March 1941 and sent down to Singapore in September 1941. We have been officially notified by the Navy that these two vessels must be considered lost.

"We have filed our claim and it is now being considered by the Director of Sea Transport in London.

"We have made every effort and spent the deaths of Mr. A. L. Shields and Mr. A. C. J. Bowker during their imprisonment in Hong Kong and Mr. L. J. Davies who died in Bombay. These gentlemen were for many years closely connected with the business of the Company, Mr. Shields and Mr. Davies were members of the Consulting Committee and Mr. Bowker was our Secretary. I would like to take this opportunity of extending to the relatives and their friends our deepest sympathy in their loss."

The Articles of Association of the Company provide that members of the Consulting Committee shall be appointed by the General Managers. Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, Mr. I. W. Shewan, Mr. T. B. Wilson and Mr. H. E. Routier accepted the invitation to join the Consulting Committee.

"The Statement of Accounts as Dec. 31, 1941 has been constructed with some difficulty. All the books and records of the Company in respect of the year 1941 have been lost, and new books have been opened based on a Balance Sheet as at Dec. 31, 1940 and a statement of receipt and payments received from the Bank for the year ended Dec. 31, 1941.

"The net profit for 1941 was \$25,329.42. This together with \$279.41 brought forward from 1940, make in all \$28,463.73 which has been carried forward to 1942.

"The second part of the Statement of Accounts covers the period from Jan. 1, 1942 to Nov. 30, 1945. This Statement of Accounts now before you shows no revenue as we were not operating during the period under review. The expenses amounting to \$111,603.59, cover depreciation of the fleet at the usual normal rates, grants to staff during the occupation and Auditors' fees. You will note that these expenses were debited to Profit and Loss Account leaving me with a debit balance of \$83,134.08 to be carried forward to next account. It is proposed that the next accounts of the Company shall cover the period from Dec. 1, 1945 to Dec. 31, 1946.

War Losses

"On account of war losses a claim has been registered for Reparations and it is proposed to write off the War Losses account amounting to \$180,750—over a period of years.

"As regards the fleet, our Company was very fortunate to find the five Waterboats and the launch "Diana" still afloat when

Civil Weddings "Impossible"

Paris, Nov. 3.

Civil weddings will be impossible in 150 towns of Herault, the wine-growing region of southern France, from tomorrow if mayors and town officials carry out their intention—which was reaffirmed this afternoon—to strike in protest against the Government's policy towards wine-growers. Other civic functions which will be impossible include the collection of taxes and the issuing of ration cards.

The mayors stated today that if necessary they will continue their strike until Nov. 10, the date of the general elections. In that case no one will be able to vote in the 150 towns.

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"CEASE-FIRE" IN BATAVIA

Batavia, Nov. 4.
A "cease-fire" order was officially given at Batavia today. Dutch sources reported, it came after prolonged negotiations between the Dutch and Indonesian authorities under the chairmanship of Lord Killearn, British Special Commissioner in Southeast Asia.—Reuter.

China Provident Report

The report of the Directors of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, whose shareholders' meeting will be held on Saturday next, states inter alia:

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Water Deliveries

"It is with pleasure that I am able to inform shareholders that our organization is now on a par with the high standard which we have always maintained in the pre-war years. Our deliveries of fresh water have reached the high mark of the best years prior to the war but owing to the loss of the two Waterboats, our fleet is working overtime to keep up with the demands of shipping in the harbour."

Mr. Dodwell then proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented. This was seconded by Mr. J. Howell and carried unanimously.

Supporting Mr. Dodwell in the chair were Messrs. H. V. Wilkinson, I. W. Shewan and H. E. Poussae (members of Consulting Committee) and Mr. V. Yvanovich (Secretary).

Shareholders at the meeting were Messrs. J. Howell, E. R. Hill, R. Johannesson, U. Sze-wing, R. A. Dastur and B. C. Tavadia.

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WARFARE NEAR MANILA

Manila, Nov. 4.
Philippine army regulars were rushed to Cubango, 80 miles North of Manila to reinforce military police who fought a fierce battle with an estimated 500 Hukbalahap guerrillas.

At least eight guerrillas and two military policemen were reported killed in the fighting which was attributed to Hukbalahap effort to seize the central Luzon rice harvests.

In Southeastern Luzon, Philippine Mountain troops reported 60 Hukks were killed in recent skirmishes in Tayabas province, newly renamed Quezon in honour of the first president of the Philippines.—Associated Press.

TIMES MAN DEAD

Rome, Nov. 4.
Mr. Christopher Lumby, chief correspondent in Italy for "The Times" of London, died yesterday at Merano, after an illness lasting several months. He was 55.

Mr. Lumby was correspondent in most of the European capitals during 30 years service for "The Times." Associated Press

SPORTS SECTION

FRENCH HORSES SWEEP ENGLISH BOARD

(By Vernon Morgan, Reuters Sports Editor)

London, Nov. 3.

Britain's first full post-war racing season will go down in history as the year when French horses swept the board. The year 1946 will in future be known as "The year Souverain won at Ascot" or "The year Airborne won the Derby," although in all conscience that was a memorable enough feat.

France this year has won, to name but a few of the more important prizes, the Ascot Gold Cup, King George VI Stakes, Jockey Club Cup, the Cesarewitch, the Cambridgeshire, Coronation Cup, Queen Alexandra Stakes, Goodwood Cup and the Doncaster Cup.

Altogether French horses have won the best part of \$4,000. Today in France it costs \$10,000 in stakes in Britain this year.

It is something that Britain won all five classics, but it is to be doubted whether even these prizes would have remained at home had France made a serious challenge with such horses as Prince Chevalier, all and then not on a very large scale.

Previously, various reasons have been put forward from time to time for these French victories, and they are worth recapitulating. There is primarily the food question and experts are generally agreed on the fact that French horses could get all the oats wanted and many extras, whereas British horses have been "starving" during the war—the main cause of extra stamina of French thoroughbreds.

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It is not surprising, therefore, that with nearly all big fortunes in France tending to dwindle not many can afford to own horses at all and then not on a very large scale.

M. Boussac, with his string of 220—including four stallions—and 90 mares and foals, is an isolated exception. Thus, handsome French wins in Britain have been doubly welcome to French owners.

Next year British owners will have the chance of revenge, for they will be eligible to compete in all races in France, apart from one or two Produce Stakes. This means that British horses can challenge for the French Derby.

Probable—Taylor (45 Cdo.), Johnson (R.A.F.) and A. N. Other (R.A.F.O.).
Johnson (42 Cdo.) and Indies (15 Cdo.)
Hassett (Cdo.) Forces (42 Cdo.), McKay (Brigade) and Beech (R.A.F.).

Reserves—Burns (R.A.F.), Beadle (1/5 Cdo.), Banks (1/5 Cdo.), McGrath (Navy) and Hodges (Navy).

Total 244

SOLD SOCCER TICKETS

Three unemployed Chinese were arrested when selling football tickets outside the Royal Navy Ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday.

Brought before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistrate yesterday Li Chi was fined \$100 or a month's hard labour, for selling a \$1.20 ticket for \$2.00.

Lau Wing, 28, and Poon Kwok-wah, 25, failed to appear in Court, had their bail of \$100 each estreated.

Soccer Trial

The final trial prior to the selection of the United Services football team to play the Rest of the Colony on Monday at Club ground will take place this afternoon at Causeway Bay at 4 p.m.

Possibles—Powell (1/5 Com-mando); Sinclair (R.A.F.) and Deer (1/5 Cdo.); Livesey (1/5 Cdo.), Burrage (45 Cdo.) and Cahman (R.A.F.); Ergie (Navy), Smith (Navy), Sewell (R.A.F.), Strickland (R.A.F.) and Winters (42 Cdo.).

Probables—Taylor (45 Cdo.), Johnson (R.A.F.) and A. N. Other (R.A.F.O.).
Johnson (42 Cdo.) and Indies (15 Cdo.)
Hassett (Cdo.) Forces (42 Cdo.), McKay (Brigade) and Beech (R.A.F.).

Reserves—Burns (R.A.F.), Beadle (1/5 Cdo.), Banks (1/5 Cdo.), McGrath (Navy) and Hodges (Navy).

Total 244

MCC's Splendid Win Over Victoria

Melbourne, Nov. 4.

The M.C.C. tourists, superior in all phases of the game, gained a splendid win over Victoria on the final day of their four-day match here to-day by 244 runs. Starting the day by requiring 399 runs for a victory with eight wickets in hand, the Victorians, apart from a gallant fourth wicket stand of 86 runs by Mervyn Harvey and his captain, Lindsay Hassett, offered little resistance.

Once this pair separated, the last six wickets fell for 56 runs and the side was all out for 204.

Wright was again the tourists' main bowler but he received wretched support in the field, several easy catches being dropped, yet he claimed four wickets for 61 and altogether ten wickets for 121 runs in the match.

Bedsen, who took three for 40, still needs more work but his bowling is gradually approaching his best English standard.

Ikin stood out as brilliant among the fielders and made three grand catches close to the wicket. He must be a very strong candidate for the England Test side.

Scores

M.C.C.—First Innings all out 368.

M.C.C.—Second Innings 279 for seven declared.

Victoria—First Innings all out 189.

Victoria—Second Innings 214.

Victorians—First Innings all out 189.

Victorians—Second Innings 214.</p